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INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

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SUBJECT: EC COMMISSION OFFERS TO PAY RENT ON TEMPORARY USE OF U.S.

FACILITIES IN KAMPALA

1. EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL WHO WORKS FOR EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR COOPERATION, R. WINSTANLEY, SUGGESTED TO MISSION OFFICER THAT EC AND US MIGHT REGULARIZE COMMISSION'S USE OF USAID MISSION OFFICES IN KAMPALA. WINSTANLEY SAYS THAT SINCE ABOUT MID-JUNE FRG AUTHORITIES IN KAMPALA HAVE BEEN ALLOWING THE EC COMMISSION DELEGATE TO UGANDA AND HIS STAFF OF TWO LOCAL SECRETARIES TO OCCUPY THE VACATED AID MISSION OFFICES. AS THE CURRENT REPRESENTATIVE OF US INTERESTS IN UGANDA, THE FRG HAS BEEN HOLDING THE KEYS OF THESE OFFICES. WINSTANLEY THOUGHT THE FRG HAD PROBABLY INFORMED THE US OF THIS ARRANGEMENT, BUT HE WAS NOT CERTAIN ON THIS POINT.

2. THE COMMISSION DELEGATE TO UGANDA, EKIOS BRIZIO, HAS INDICATED AN INTEREST IN CONTINUING TO USE THESE OFFICES AS LONG AS IT IS CONVENIENT FOR THE USG. THE COMMISSION CONSEQUENTLY WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE A TEMPORARY LEASE FOR THEIR USE. IT SHORTLY PLANS TO EXPAND ITS STAFF IN KAMPALA, AND WILL ADD ONE OFFICER TO ITS STAFF IN SEPTEMBER AND ANOTHER BY YEAR END. WINSTANLEY ESTIMATES THAT THE COMMISSION STAFF IN KAPALA WILL REACH 12-15 EMPLOYEES WITHIN 18 MONTHS OR SO.

3.MISSION OFFICER REPLIED THAT HE WOULD INFOR APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES OF THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL, AS WELL AS SENDING A MESSAGE TO AMEMBASSY BONN. HE, OF COURSE, UNCLASSIFIED

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COULD NOT COMMENT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF A TEMPORARY LEASE AT

THIS TIME WINSTANLEY ADDED THAT HE HAD REQUESTED ADDTIONAL INFORMATION FROM BRIZIO, WHICH HE WOULD PASS ON TO US WHEN HE RECEIVED IT. FOR EXAMPLE, HE HAD ASKED IF THE DELEGATE WAS USING ANY OFFICE EQUIPMENT WHICH BELONGED TO THE USG.

## 4. ACTION REQUESTED:

FOR BONN- IF FRG HAS NOT ALREADY DONE SO,EMBASSY MIGHT DETERMINE IF FRG OFFICIALS IN KAMPALA ARE IN ACCORD WITH COMMISSION PROPOSAL.

FOR WASHINGTON - WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED IF THE USG IS INTERESTED IN ENTERING INTO A TEMPORARY LEASE WITH THE COMMISSION REGARDING THE USE OF USAID FACILITIES IN KAMPALA. HINYRWEN

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